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SHAKER'S THEATER

By Katie Herzfeld

This year's theatre department promises to be more productive than any other. Tom Beckner, technical advisor and director of Shaker's dramatic productions, "feels great about this year's active club members and officers." Jeff Spiegler is president of Shaker's Thespian Club, an international organization composed of students who have received ten points or more for their participation in dramatic productions. At most, one can receive four points per show through crew work or acting. Ten hours work is equivalent to one point. Marianne Wall is vice president, Ann Kowal is secretary, John Gaglione is treasurer, and Michelle Moskovits is social chairperson of this year's group.

The Broadway musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" will be playing at Shaker on December 1, 2, and 3. This will be the first musical at the high school produced entirely by the drama department. In this way, non-choir members will be given a chance to pursue their vocal talents. Mr. Everson will be acting as musical consultant for the show. Sheila Hecht is the assistant director, Keith McCann the set designer, John Gaglione the student technical director, and Jeff Spiegler, the stage maanger for the winter production. All students are in the show through crew work.

Another first-time event for Shaker will be the Ohio Thespian Convention held here December 9, 10, and 11. Our 30-year-old club has been asked to host the convention because of the response from "Listen." Last year, this student-produced show was a huge success at the convention which was held in Cincinnati. Also, a convention has never been held in Northern Ohio, and, Mr. Beckner is on the state board of directors. Four to five hundred people are expected to attend this event which will include various activities. "Charlie Brown" and shows from other schools will be performed, social activities will encourage students to exchange new ideas, and workshops on set and stage design, lighting, acting, auditioning, mime, and sound will allow students a chance to improve their skills. Teachers for the workshops will be provided by the state board. The Theatre of the Deaf will also give a special production. Some of the shows may be invited to perform at the international convention held next summer at Ball State University in Indiana. The cost of the weekend – including three meals, workshops, and socials – will be $17.50. More details will be announced at a later date.

An attentive audience watches Ken Sonkin perform "a bit of magic."

The Council Carnival Creates A Splash

By Mark Edelman and Bruce Rosenbaum

What many Shaker students anticipated to be an apathetic Carnival turned out to be a rousing success for Shaker. The carnival, which was held on October 21, was the culmination of many weeks of hard work by Student Council, and the clubs that ran the booths. Three hours after the Carnival's commencement, after the last balloon had been sold, and the last hot dog had been eaten, the dust settled in the inner courtyard and the weary workers at the carnival sat back and contemplated a job well done.

Student Council had been planning this carnival, through its Carnival Committee, for over a month. The main problem which faced Council was that of getting clubs, and even council members, to participate fully in this difficult undertaking. The success of the carnival is due to the ability of the Carnival Committee in overcoming these problems, and their efficient planning of the Carnival.

Much of the success at the carnival was due to the fine efforts of Bruce Rosenbaum and his publicity committee. Often criticized for their lack of posters, the committee outdid themselves and defeated the infamous apathy of the Shaker schools.

One of the more popular booths at the carnival was the dunking booth. This booth, run by Student Council, employed the services of such dignitaries as our assistant principal, Mr. Zimmerman; president and vice-president of Student Council Duffy Holman and Beth Readerman; Administrator and Student Council advisor, Mr. Mohney; and Student Council representatives Mark Edelman and Sue Mellin. Robert Milman, editor-in-chief of the SHAKERITE, proved to be a spoiler in the attempts of the dunkees to stay dry, as he was a high scorer with Four knockdowns under his belt (spending over $3.00 in the process). He should be commended for his charitable contribution. Mark Schwartz, a member of the baseball team, was thrown off by Mr. Zimmerman's remarks to him as he was trying to knock him off his high pedestal. However, skill triumphed and Mr. Zimmerman took a bath. Mr. Mohney, after several ineffective attempts to legally dunk his colleague Mr Zimmerman, resorted to chicanery and used the palm of his hand. Revenge was forthcoming as Mr. Zimmerman returned the favor during Mr. Mohney's tenure in the booth.

The sophomore class started off the year on the right foot with the very popular Haunted House. AFS ran a very interesting booth catering to the outlandish tendencies of Shaker students by painting clown faces. The JCWA had a rather unique booth, which was "Shave the Balloon". This booth, while somewhat unsuccessful, had a large spectator crowd.

The entertainment at the carnival was superlative, highlighted by the three-man unicycle team of Michael Cox, Michael Kass, and Jerome Ellis. This precision team ran flawlessly through their act. Other acts featured Jeanie Affelder and Ken Sonkin with a mime act, Greg Schultz and his magic act, and Doug McWilliams and his solo guitar. The entertainment drew a large crowd, and was a big part of the Carnival.

There was also a large amount of food available. Some of the clubs that ran food booths were the Peppers, and the Spanish and French clubs. There were hot dogs, cakes, caramel apples and for those who go for exotic foods, egg rolls!

The Carnival was both a financial and a social success. Because of hard work and organization, it went off without a hitch. The booths and the other entertainment were universally approved of. It is hoped by this paper that the project will be undertaken again in the future.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

By Edith McGandy

4	Varsity Football, Normandy, 8:00, A
4	End of 1st Grading Period
5	SAT, ACH 8:00-12:00
	Cross Country, State
8	Election Day
9	"Really Rosie" Thespian Production at Lomond School
10	J.V. Football, Parma, 3:30, H
11	Veterans Day
	Report Cards
	Choral and Instrumental Concert, 8:15
12	Varsity Football, Parma, 8:00, A
14-18	School Spirit Week
15	Football Awards
17	Soccer Banquet
18	School Spirit Ball, 8:00
19	ACT 8:00-12:00
	Hockey, Lakewood, 5:00, H
21	Girls' Awards, 7:30
23	Basketball, Warrensville, H

★ Be watching for ★
Winter Musical
December School Dance
Red Cross Bloodmobile
Choral Concert

NEW SHAKER TEACHERS COMMENT

By Beth Readerman

Recently Shaker Heights High School has been classified as a school which produces angel dust freaks and apathetic students who are concerned with partying and social activities rather than academic studies. Being part of Shaker it is hard to be objective about the accusations made by the media; but people that have recently entered Shaker have the opportunity to be exposed to Shaker students and observe their patterns of behavior without being influenced by the idea of defending a school they have been part of for a number of years.

The high school has a few new teachers on its staff this year. Each new faculty member who was asked his opinion on the students at Shaker concluded that Shaker students are motivated and interested in their studies. Mr. Peck, a substitute teacher for Mr. Mohney until Dr. Hayes returns to Shaker, commented that the students he has are generally responsive, interested in their class, and not afraid to voice their opinions about issues. Mr. Peck said he liked teaching and enjoyed the freedom he had with his classes.

Mr. Skitzki, a new math teacher, also commented in favor of the student body saying that the majority of his students were very eager to learn. He concluded in saying that he enjoys that atmosphere at Shaker and finds both faculty and students very helpful in making his adjustment at Shaker. Previously Mr. Skitzki taught at Borromeo Seminary in Wickliffe Ohio. Miss Rosenstein, an art teacher this year, also commented on the pleasant attitude of the administration and students. She stressed the point of the energy level of her students and predicts that many will be successful in art-related careers.

The Alternative School has been another controversial issue at Shaker. Ms. McGovern, a new member of the Alternative School staff, agreed that the media had been very unfair in stressing the problems at Shaker, especially when there is more positive about Shaker than negative. Ms. McGovern stated that the purpose of the Alternative School is to provide the opportunity for students to become productive and motivated. The Alternate School offers this opportunity, but it is the student who determines whether or not he or she will be successful. Fortunately the majority of students are successful in their attempt to become enthusiastic and productive members of the high school. Ms. McGovern concluded her interview by saying that she enjoyed teaching in the Alternate School and found it very satisfying.

Shaker has been exposed to continual criticism by Channel 5 news and Cleveland Magazine. However, it is encouraging to find the new teachers here at Shaker are not influenced by the media's presentation of Shaker students, but find them self-motivated, goal-directed, and intellectually stimulated.

Ohio Schools in Trouble

By Marc Krantz

The recent controversy concerning the huge deficit that faces the Cleveland Public School System raises an important question: should a lack of money be able to deprive a student of the education to which he or she is entitled? overlooked in the Cleveland debacle were the forty other school systems in Ohio that face deficits and threatened closings although none of the deficits is as large as Cleveland's 19.1 million dollars. The voter, the legislature, the courts, and poor handling of school funds can not be allowed to get in the way of a student's right to receive a good education.

Using our own school system as a unique example, it is evident that co-operation between the voters and the schools, and vice versa, can result in a financially sound system. Shaker, however, can not be compared to the rest of the state, the simple reason being that most communities can not be expected to vote themselves into being one of the highest-taxed communities in the country for school support as the Shaker voter has. The upcoming elections on Tuesday will decide the fate of several school systems and might deliver a knockout blow to several of them. Unfortunately, the ones who will suffer the most from the voters decision will once again be the students. As Shaker residents have unfailingly done in the past, other voters need to realize how drastic the situation is and come through.

The Cleveland situation is the ultimate example of what can happen to a school system on the verge of financial disaster. The system was at the mercy of the Ohio Senate although in the end U.S. District Judge Frank Battisti turned out to be the savior. Pupils, teachers, and administrators were caught in the middle between the legislature and the courts. The turmoil that was created by the political struggle was totally unfair to all concerned. To turn students out in the streets of Cleveland would have been unfair alone, but it was greatly unjust that because of something the students had no control over schools were almost closed. Whatever finally happens to the financial woes of the Cleveland system at least no time will be spent out of class.

The role of the state as a supporter of education seemingly has to increase. There is no doubt that money is becoming harder and harder for any organization to come by these days, but schools seem to be getting hit especially hard. With costs rising everywhere, voters can not be expected to continually support school levies year after year. Before education is sacrificed everyone has to look deeper for funds. All the politics aside, lack of money should be absolutely the last reason for the cutting short of an education.

Do You Care?

By Abby Solomon

Do you ever feel as if everyone is after your money? If it isn't the senior class doughnuts or the choir's candles or the junior class carnations, it's something else. These organizations are all in need of money, and they are all worthy causes, but a dollar can only go so far, right? So when United Torch came around, it just didn't seem that important. I mean, they weren't even giving out the little red pins anymore! So nobody gave. Or hardly anybody gave. The fact is, a school with about 1800 students could only raise $827 in a five-day drive. That comes out to less than fifty cents a person, and for a community like Shaker, that's pretty pathetic.

Of all the charity drives during the year, United Torch should be considered the most important, because it serves so many organizations. Besides all of the handicapped people on the commercials with the pro football players, United Torch also gives money to community-sponsored services like hospitals and clinics which we all use. The drive only comes once a year, so the inconvenience of giving up a few dollars isn't such a major sacrifice. But the Shaker student body spent more on the candy machines in the cafeteria during those five days than they did on United Torch.

Are Shakerite students just plain selfish? Do we refuse to give up money if all we get in return is the satisfaction of helping others? The other major charity drive of the year, for Christmas and Thanksgiving, is coming up in a few weeks. Let's prove that we're not so stingy as the recent drive indicates, and show some compassion for those who are less fortunate than we are. As for United Torch: it works, no thanks to us.

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An Open Letter to TV 5 News

On Tuesday, October 18 Channel 5 in the persons of Dave Patterson (a Shaker resident) and Tappy Phillips placed the glaring light of modern TV on the community of Shaker Heights. What reason did they choose? It was in the nature of doing their expose on Angel Dust and the cancer of the drug culture. They did their job well, in the fashion news agencies are doing their jobs today, ONLY BAD NEWS IS NEWS! They focused only on Shaker. This gave the large community of Cleveland and its many suburbs a firm belief that Angel Dust is prevalent at Shaker High.

What is the basis for this letter? The simple fact that they, the TV station, took their cameras to only ONE high school and interviewed only TWO students. It is easy to give the wrong impression about a community and about high school students in general. What that segment did was to give credibility to the ignorant beliefs that most Shaker students are on drugs, Shaker is a bad high school, and that the parent should send his child to a private school to keep him away from such an environment.

NOW, WHAT THEY DIDN'T COVER – The Channel 5 News Department was asked to return to Shaker with their cameras to cover the finer activities of Shaker Heights High School; however, they saw no reason to report on any of the spirited high school events listed below:

1. A perfect PEP RALLY on Friday morning that involved the entire student body.
2. An outstanding carnival which more than 50 percent of the students attended.
3. A bonfire-pep rally for many students that ended a truly exciting Friday.
4. The Saturday afternoon Homecoming Football Game that was attended by nearly 3000 people and featured young students from the nine elementary schools in the district as they came at special prices with their parents in tow.
5. Finally a Homecoming dance, a semi-formal affair which was held on Saturday night and capped an outstanding Homecoming Weekend.

The activities noted above were only a few of the many that occurred last week at Shaker. Club meetings and a wide variety of other school related athletic contests also took place. Parent groups were also meeting. All of these activities make Shaker the exciting place that it is. The segment of TV coverage left a burning impression. It was a tremendous disservice to an outstanding school community.

We admit Shaker has its problems just as any school community does. However, the positive aspects of this community are numerous. Shaker High prides itself in having the outstanding high school in the state of Ohio. It is a high school that has:

1. One of the few voluntary integration programs in the country. Of note is the Shaker Schools Plan and the Shaker Housing Office.
2. The funds to keep it open because the citizens support its programs both personally and financially. Both commitments to excellence.
3. Better than 600 students who have been acclaimed as National Merit Semi-Finalists since the beginning of the program in the late Fifties. An additional 850 students received Letters of Commendation. Currently 22 members of the Senior class have been cited for this honor. This is the highest in the entire state regardless of the selectivity of the school.
4. There are also eight National Achievement Semi-Finalists in the current Senior class. Again Shaker leads the state in this area. In the past ten years, 80 black students have received this honor. An additional 105 black students have received Letters of Commendation.
5. Approximately 75 club activities meet the needs of the entire student body's interests on a weekly basis.
6. Seventeen sports teams also compete at a successful level that brings pride to both themselves and their school.

Shaker is tired of fending off the arrows of injustice that are shot at our community by the news media. If the media insists upon knocking Shaker High, they should at least report on the many fine activities which constantly occur at this high school. It is apparent that this would give a fair and equal opportunity for the viewer to judge Shaker for themselves, rather than be prejudiced by one-sided coverage.

A community of 36,000 people cannot be perfect, but you can be certain that in Shaker citizens young and old will work together to resolve their problems and strive to keep the Shaker Schools a national leader.

C. A. Zimmerman
Assistant Principal
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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Mr. Murphy, our new principal, has been with our school for two months now. Enough time has now passed that we can judge his administration fairly. Mr. Murphy, with the help of faculty and students, has alleviated some of this school's serious problems.

Two of the most evident problems in Shaker in the past have been smoking in unauthorized areas and the cutting of classes by students. We feel that Mr. Murphy is to be commended for his continual efforts to resolve and eliminate these problems. Although his new policies may reign in infamy, they are effective. (After all his job is not a popularity contest).

Complaints levied against Mr. Murphy and his administration are often unfounded. Any student who truly cares about our school, its image, or himself can speak with Mr. Murphy simply by making an appointment. We have spoken with Mr. Murphy on many occassions and on various subjects. We found him not only to be aware of problems but also responsive to them. One of the subjects he has discussed was relevant to the Sun Press article about the early morning breakfasts. The article stated that frisbee-throwing was not permitted on the front lawn. When asked about this seemingly absurd policy Mr. Murphy said that the school had no such policy.

We feel many students who complain are totally uninvolved with the school. The early morning breakfasts are an example. We attended two breakfasts and found that both times not half of the invited students attended. Mr. Murphy, on the other hand, has proved to us that he is involved with, and cares about all facets of the school. He has seen us frequently, attended the carnival, and the Homecoming football game, along with a wide variety of other events.

Reviewing the past two months of school, we feel that Mr. Murphy is doing a highly commendable job. Although students and faculty are also responsible for the new and innovative policies, a hand is due Mr. Murphy. The school has some problems yet to be solved but the major ones have been alleviated.

Sincerely,
J. Chalmers and D. Gravenstein

Dear Editor,

We were very upset to read Marc Krantz's editorial on the inefficiency of Student Council. After a diligent effort and a great amount of work, it is distressing to have Student Council activities shot down by students who do not participate in them. If Student Council is to be effective it needs the support of the student body and school organizations, specifically the **Shakerite.**

The Shakerite is an influential part of the Shaker community; we wonder if its function is to criticize other organizational functions or to support them.

Respectfully,
Beth Readerman and Adam Price

Editor's note. To clarify Ms. Readerman's and Mr. Price's wonder: The SHAKERITE'S funtion is to inform the student body. If the authors of this letter had taken the time to read the statement of policy which appeared on the editorial page in the last issue, they would have discovered that this policy encourages students to express their opinions. The editorial entitled, "Apathy Reigns Supreme" was an expression of opinion of the author not the SHAKERITE. The SHAKERITE has always supported the positive actions of Shaker students and will continue to do so, yet the newspaper feels an obligation to offer constructive criticism when the need arises.

Dear Editor,

There has been much criticism of the Student Council this school year. As a member of that organization I would like to respond to these criticisms. Student Council hoped that this year at Shaker would be the best ever. We tried to get off to a good start by having preliminary meetings during the summer. Unfortunately, when the year started there was a great deal of dissent within the group. Personality conflicts caused meetings to be held in a disordered state. This state of affairs has been changed significantly recently when Council meetings suddenly started being run in an organized and productive atmosphere.

Realizing that a communication problem exists between students and Council, the Advisory Group Council was implemented. Representatives of this body are responsible for informing their A.G. groups of the actions of Council. Also they are expected to relate to Student Council any ideas which their A.G. group thinks that Council should discuss.

Student Council is open to ideas from the student body. We have already heard proposals from students, and have given them the chance to share their ideas in Council. This has led to the formation of the Political Awareness Committee and plans for a non-smokers lounge. Student Council encourages students to submit their ideas to either their Advisory Group Representative or any member of Council.

Student Council has done many admirable things that should not be overlooked. The carnival took a great deal of work; it was a fantastic success. Council will continue to improve only with the help of all students. It is our goal to serve the student body. This year at Shaker will be successful if we all work together; Student Council cannot do it alone.

Sincerely,
Jim Wertheim

WE WANT SOME MORE

What is going on with Shaker High School? Just when I was settling back into another year of comfortable apathy, homecoming weekend came along and jolted me wide awake and spirited. Mr. Zimmerman called it the best weekend of his years at Shaker and Mr. Oberdorfer was so inspired by homecoming that he exclaimed, "this is one of the finest senior classes to ever go through this high school. They've been proving it all year, and they proved it last weekend."

Just what precipated such superlatives? It all started early Friday morning and didn't end until late Saturday night. How did Shaker students notorious for their apathy hold out for so long, you might ask.) According to one of the planners of the weekend, the students were psyched up for the big event partly by the morning pep rally and mostly by the shortened classes. At 2:00 Friday regular classes adjourned, and the real excitement began. (This is not to say that learning was over for the day.) The Shaker Carnival was opened to the whole community and took place in the parking lot, the social room, the boy's gym, and the courtyard. With the right amount of tickets, students could take part in or partake of almost any activity imaginable. The German Club was selling gourmet cakes; Semanteme was featuring eggrolls, and one "pretty sophomore" was exacting 25 cents per kiss. (Incidently, it was rumored that Mr. Meshenberg really got his money's worth at that booth.) Entertainment also abounded. Ken Sonkin and Jean Affelder performed mimes, while a group of unicyclists reportedly juggled fire.

ANIMAL, VEGETABLE, OR MINERAL???

Teachers and parents were happy to find that, while the carnival was tremendous fun, it was also real learning. Students got a sweet taste of the outside world as many were married and divorced within minutes. Budding scientists learned about the effects of helium on the human as certain Shakerites were reduced to squealing munchkins. Meanwhile over at the dunking booth, which attracted a crowd of at least 50 people, Roberta Pearlman, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Mohney and others were experiencing the phenomona of gravity and free fall. As Roberta explained later, "you're up there and you just don't expect to fall. And then someone hits the target and you fall. Its hard to explain."

Later that day, at night to be specific, the action moved to the Shaker softball field. Like moths around a flame, Shakerites hovered around and about the bonfire. Eventually the Shaker fire was put out, but only temporarily. It was about to be relit the next day, starting with the parade. (The fire burned out, but Shakerites did not!)

The parade consisted of about ten cars, the band, and the peppers. It was headed ,of course, for the football game, and on its way, it was captured on film by the aerial acrobat Dave Tucker, who was hiding in a nearby tree. The football game attracted one of the biggest crowds in Shaker history.

Then, Satuday night, there came a miraculous climax to the weekend. The Shaker soccer team beat 3rd-ranked-in-the-state Hudson, by the score of 1-0. On the victorious busride home, rastafarian Richard Clarke led the team in such songs as "When the Raiders Come Marching In", and "Shaker Row the Board Ashore." Meanwhile, back at the homecoming dance, over 600 people were squeezed on the gym floor, and Scott Fine and Lynne Hawkins were crowned king and queen, respectively.

The success of homecoming has quelled apathy-mongers, hopefully for good. All the we can say to the senior class council which sponsored the weekend is, "please sirs, we want some more."

By Keith Gandal

Record Rap

By Scott Fine

This month marks the release of **Foreign Affairs**, Tom Waits' brilliant follow-up to last year's financially successful **Small Change**. **Affairs** should appeal to those who delve into acoustic jazz, as well as those who "appreciate" the Joe Cocker-ish style of Waits. The overall success of Tom Waits is revealed through his singing and musical styles: the ugly pitted against the beautiful; the melodically enticing instrumentals draped behind the unexpectedly raspy voice of Waits.

The first track on **Affairs**, "Cinny's Waltz", marks Waits' first totally instrumental track in five albums. Complete with orchestra, acoustic bass, piano and sax, "Cinny's Waltz" is one of Waits' more enjoyable pieces due to its jazzy overtones and melodic brilliance. This melodic quality is present in the instrumental portion of all of Waits' songs, yet his monotonic garblings usually take some of this beauty out of his works.

Which leads us to the second oddity about **Foreign Affairs**. On some of these tracks, Tom Waits sings! No mumbled mayhem, no verbal vomiting, just plain, honest to goodness singing. And Tom proves himself to be a singer, surprisingly. The second track, "Muriel", and especially the third track, "I Never Talk to Strangers", will receive more airplay on progressive stations because of their overall appeal to that type of audience. Most of Waits' works in the past have been too jazzy and too abstract to be appreciated by progressive rock listeners, but when Tom Waits and Bette Midler interchange in a singing extravanganca, there is something for everyone.

The next six songs are all in the traditional style of Waits, through their nightmarish accounts of inner-city life and the cruel-heartedside of life. This is the Tom Waits you either love or hate; he tells life as it is: harsh, cruel, cheap, dirty, and grimy.

Another promising release this month is Jean-Luc Ponty's new jazz-rock fusion album, **Enigmatic Ocean**. Ponty's background in both rock and jazz circles (Frank Zappa's Mothers of Invention and most recently the Mahavishnu Orchestra) has enabled him to attract both audiences. He can take a straight-forward jazz appraoch, as he does on "Nostalgic Lady", he can write strictly on a rock basis, as he does on "Trans Love Express", or he can fuse the two, as he does on the twenty minute, "The Struggle of the Turtle to the Sea".

Ponty's vast array of musicians (including Ralphe Armstrong on bass) create a tour de force unparalleled in fusion music. Working as a unit, Ponty's players give incredible support to his unequaled talents as a composer-performer. Jean Luc's standards of perfection are evident on **Enigmatic Ocean**; he is one of the premier fusion players who comes from a diverse background so as to create musical excellence.

HOMECOMING '77

The 1978 Homecoming Dance was a tremendous success. In fact, everyone present thoroughly enjoyed himself. Shaker students

the entire weekend was the most exciting and spirited Shaker has witnessed in a long time. The action began Friday morning with the Pep Rally and continued that afternoon with the Carnival. The enthusiasm grew Friday evening at the Senior Class-sponsored bonfire, which added a warm spark to the eventful weekend. One hopes the bonfire will be repeated in the future.

The Homecoming Parade built up the excitement for the big football game. Even though the Shaker Raiders were defeated Saturday afternoon at the jam-packed football game, Shaker spirits were running high. By Saturday evening the excitement was at a peak. The 1978 Homecoming Dance was a lovely way to top off the fabulous weekend.

The dance began at 8:00 p.m. and did not end until after midnight. The Girl's Gym and Social Room were nicely decorated in red and white, thanks to Toni and Lori Clemons, Andrea Green, and Carol Hamilton. The Homecoming Dance was a semi-formal affair and the atmosphere Saturday evening was quite different from that of other Shaker socials. It was a pleasant change to look around and see three-piece suits, elegant knee-length gowns, sport coats and ties, and other fashionable outfits.

The evening's entertainment was provided by Disc Jockey, Marco Spoon. He kept the large crowd busy on the dance floor all evening with a combination of slow and fast dances. Marco Spoon is affiliated with many radio stations including ABQ and ZIP 106, in addition to an active private business. He related very well to the crowd and they, in turn, enjoyed his performance.

The attendance was fantastic and the concessions, door, and coat check were kept busy the entire evening. Approximately 500 people attended the dance, and although, unfortunately, the crowd was not extremely well integrated, were permitted either to pre-register non-Shaker guests or to register them that evening at the door. Otherwise, Shaker I.D. cards were required. This system proved to be very efficient and everything operated smoothly. The Social Committee and Senior Class officers were extremely pleased with both the attendance and the outcome of the dance.

Congratulations are in order for the Homecoming King, Scott Fine, and Homecoming Queen, Lynne Hawkins. The ceremony took place late in the evening, after the soccer team had returned from their exciting victory over Hudson. The five nominees for Queen, Diane Cannon, Lynne Hawkins, Barrie Sandman, Eileen Sindelar and Tammy Tidmore, and the five nominees for Homecoming King, Scott Fine, Keith Fowler, Steve Mikelthon, Richard Mulroy, and David Williams had all been supplied with carnation corsages and boutonnieres and were anxiously awaiting the final announcement. Social Chairperson, Carol Hamilton, announced the winners. Second runner-up for queen was Diance Cannon and first runner-up from Eileen Sindelar. Lynne received a beautiful bouquet of red roses. Second runner up for Homecoming King was Keith Fowler and first runner-up was Richard Mulroy. Scott Fine received a red carnation. Both Lynne and Scott received trophies. Congratualtions and many thanks to all the candidates for the 1978 Homecoming King and Queen.

As this weekend happily shows, school spirit and school pride are definitely increasing. Everyone agrees that this year's Homecoming Dance was the best Shaker has ever had and it certainly was a terrific highlight to the exciting weekend. Special thanks to Social Chairperson Carol Hamilton and the other senior class officers, Andrea Green, Toni Clemons, Lori Clemons, Erwin Boulding, Adviser Mr. Nosse, Unit Leader Mr. Oberdorfer, teacher and parent chaperones, and everyone else who helped make the 1978 Homecoming Dance such a tremendous success and a fantastic highlight to a very memorable weekend.

By Roberta Pearlman

Mr. Hogue shows the student body one of his favorite out of school activities.

CHOIR

By David Kushner

The Shaker Heights Music Department Fall Concert will take place November 11 in the Large Auditorium at 8:15 p.m. The program will consist of two parts, the first of choral music and the second instrumental.

The A Cappella Choir will open with a variety of numbers consisting of folk music, jazz rock, spirituals, Broadway, and sacred songs. They will be followed by the 48 voice Chamber Choir with a number from the baroque period.

Concert Choir will sing next with a variety of songs similar to that of A Capella. Their presentation will include two special pop numbers by the Sophomore Ensemble of 26 voices. The Chanticleers, a group of twenty-four singers selected from A Cappella Choir, will sing contemporary, pop, and Broadway music.

The Band will perform during the second part of the program. They will play marching band music including pieces by Paul McCartney, Stevie Wonder, and Barbara Streisand.

Tickets for the event may be purchased either from choir or band members or at the door. The price for adults will be $2. For students the charge will be $1.50.

A Story

By Caroline Frank and Joey Lampl

It all happened on the night of October 29, at Springside Home for the elderly. My name is Jerry Atrickson. I am 75 years old and have been presiding at this location for the past two years. Never in my life have I been confronted with as ghastly a tale as the one I now propose to repeat.

The day began as usual. Our morning discussion group met at 10:30 a.m. The regular members were present, myself, Miss Agatha Gifford, Miss Sonia Rickman, Mr. Louis Mulvaney, and our head of activities, the ever-ready Wanda Kendall. It is necessary for me to tell a little of these persons past, to give you the full flavor of the aura of terror that would soon be upon us. To begin with, Miss Agatha Gifford could be called and justly so, an eccentric snob. She was from an extremely wealthy family. Many in the home disliked her. I myself, enjoyed her company. However, she was given to periods of delusion and bouts of senilitv. Contrary to popular belief, not all of us in the home belong in this category. I myself, have never been more alert in my life.

Next, there is Miss Sonia Rickman. She was a newcomer to our happy family. Nobody knew much about her; and she seemed pleasant enough. She was the type who was always caught nodding off to sleep. She was such a frail-looking thing, always looked lost in her over-sized, second-hand dresses.

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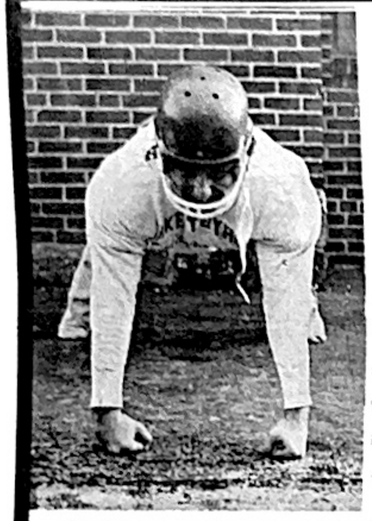

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[illegible] Sister with Ill Arrangement Face, by the Oakland Raiders

Last Accomplishment: Spent the night with the entire Dallas Cowboy cheerleading squad

Quote: "If I had you you got a beautiful body, can't you hold it against me?"

Profile: Ready for action, a man of determination, willing to go for fourth and inches

School: Shaker Heights High School

PAUL SIMION

Home: Santa Banana, California

Age: 24

Profession: Professional musician

Hobbies: Loose woman, chicita banana label collecting, loose woman

Most Memorable Book: Bongo for the Beginner, by Mel Bay

Last Accomplishment: Played in front of a 70,000+ sold out crowd at Three Rivers Stadium, and later was arrested for the intention to disrupt the Steelers-Browns football game

Quote: "Hey like wow. They call girls this and girls that, and passive people hippoes. Blah blah woof woof tweet tweet. Yum yum eat 'em up."

Profile: Hairy, unkempt, wasted.

School: Shaker Heights High School

[illegible] PAPAS

Home: [illegible] (Pranes)

Age: [illegible]

Profession: [illegible] Short Order Cook

Hobbies: [illegible] Toss, Lass [illegible] Constantion, [illegible]

Most [illegible] Book: The Hodja Kooda Trilogy, by Cukoo

Last Accomplishment: Participated in the annual interplanetary bake-off on Zeltar 9.

Quote: $y=A\sin(2\pi i(\frac{t}{T}-\frac{x}{v})+\theta_o)$

Profile: Shiny, knows 56 languages, including Spantrac, Gergirly, and Ethnic; trained in protocol, affected by high frequency sounds and strobe lights

School: Shaker Heights High School

HUEY LOOGAN

Home: The Himilayas of Nepal

Age: 27

Profession: Mountain climber

Hobbies: Falling down, breaking bones, coiling rope

Most Memorable Book: How to Improve Your Memory, by who was that again?

Last Accomplishment: Fell off the north face of the Eiger; this really was his last accomplishment.

Quote: "You've got to have an awareness of the rock. But it ain't the rock it's the motion. And what motion!"

Profile: Dead, deceased, defunct, demised, but he's gitting better

School: Shaker Heights High School

PRISCILLA PRECIOUS

Home: The Essex House, overlooking beautiful Central Park

Age: Deceiving

Profession: Professional doormat

Hobbies: Model rocketry, exterior decorating

Most Memorable Book: Grooming for the Liberated Woman, by Miss Havisham

Last Accomplishment: Her face was declared the site of the 1979 Super Bowl

Quote: "Welcome"

Profile: Deceptively charming, succeedingly seductive, harmfully hairy

School: Shaker Heights High School

MONGO MISTAKUS

Home: Okefenokee Swamp, Flori-

Aged: Vintage 1946 (it was a very bad year)

Profession: Costume Designer for science fiction movies, part time writer

Hobbies: Motocross, scuba diving, flag pole sitting

Most Memorable Book: The Day the Beaker Slipped, and its sequel I Was a Teenage Mutant, by Mongo Mistakus

Last Accomplishment: Received honorary doctorate in Biology at Transylvania U,

Quote: "I have always had an infinity with the off beat, Halloween was the only time I looked normal except at the annual mutant's convention in Ebriated, Virginia

Profile: Aqua-simion, aqua tarkus, aqua velva

Schbol: Shaker Heights High School

Editors: DAVE when are we going to do this centerfold GINN
JIM Me sorry but I dont have time now BARK
SCOTT I Dont have to take this— anymore FINE
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A Prime Production

By Peter Manos

Once long ago - in an auditorium not so far away, this reporter sat twiddling his thumbs waiting for the house lights to dim and for the throng to be silent, waiting for the first act of a performance he long would remember to begin. Sure, he had helped out a bit with the show's publicity and getting props and such, but other than that he knew little of the play and its characters. The promo the afternoon before gave a free sample, but it was not the same as how the show would appear this evening – the supreme test. Thursday, October 13, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven – which historians and calendar-makers alike will record - - Opening Night of Shaker Heights Drama Department's (W. Thomas Beckner, Director) first play of the 1977-78 season. **"The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie"**. And this reporter was in for a pleasant awakening.

It was an innocent enough show to start out with that Thursday evening. Scotland in the thirties, a girl's private school and an extra special, dynamic, outspoken and overly imposing character named Jean Brodie, played fabulously by Sheila Hecht, whose motives lay in preparing her girls to carve a niche of greatness for themselves in society through cleverness and ruthlessness. Keith Berner is her lover, the highly naive and insecure music teacher, Gordon Lowther, and Susie Goulder plays the stern school principal, Miss Mackay with the cold firm poise of Lady Macbeth. Kissing every girl in sight (and probably having the time of his life) is Ken Sonkin as artist, Teddy Lloyd, an old flame of Brodie's. There are many quite outstanding performances in the play including Francey Gordon. (Who this reporter has never seen give anything less than a fantastic performance in anything she's done to date) as the insecure, Mary MacGregor, and Valerie Rettberg as Sandy, who was especially impressive. Jeannie Affelder is delightful as Monica, an over-dramatic schoolgirl. Also in the play were Naomi Stein as Sister Helena (God Bless), Linda Felber as Jenny, and Dan Kelley as a West Virginny wordsmith after a scoop for his newspaper. Meg Tippet, Alana Spero, Pam Stewart, Nancy Kaufman, Eileen Lochner, and Debbie Michaelson were the other school girls and Jim Satola evoked a good laugh as a startled gardener.

Mr. Beckner directed the show but the influence of Assistant Director, Jon Bank was quite detectable and added the right touch.

For a look behind the stage that Thursday night, the props crew seemed to have their act together quite well led ruthlessly by Marianne Wall. And the sets, especially the garden scene were the wondrous work of Jim Levine's construction team (that rhymes - sort of) but handling the burden of the production especially was Andy Smith who should be commended that Thursday night as the production's unsung hero who kept the light cues and sound cues on schedule.

The quality of this production on the whole was outstanding and this reporter applauds both actors and crew for an exceptional job – truly a production deserving to be called a Production. Once long ago in an auditorium that happened to be the High School's, this reporter came, saw and was conquered by the handiwork of a fine cast and crew, and he marvelled as the lights went down at the end of act three at the crowd as it slowly turned to leave: Those who were restless during act two were now nodding their heads contentedly. People were straining their eyes at their programs as if to read the names of the cast all at once.

The Story Told
The Magic Made –
The Music Sold
The Play was Played

A good show brings out the poet in me. Be sure to catch "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown", Shaker's next assignment appearing in early December.

Guess Who's Coming To Breakfast

By Douglas Falkner

..Doughnuts, orange juice, and coffee, or your cup of tea, that is what one will find to eat at the morning breakfast with Principal, Paul Murphy. If you were not aware of this invitational meal, do not worry. Soon, a personal pink invitation will come your way in homeroom.

What are the 7:30 a.m. gatherings in the Social Room all about? It is all part of Mr. Murphy's new plan to get to know the student body. The new principal is attempting to develop a comfortable rapport with each and every Shakerite. In this way, the gap between faculty and students, which has been apparent in the past, may be bridged.

One obvious purpose of the informal breakfast is to allow the students a chance to know the principal or a more familiar level and vice versa. It is an opportunity to meet other faculty members and see them in a different light.

One student who has already attended a breakfast has many positive things to say about it. She describes Mr. Murphy as energetic, enthusiastic, fair, involved, and willing to listen. She suggest that everyone go and participate in the discussions because she feels it is a unique opportunity. Now, if a problem were to arise, she would not give a second thought to going directly to Mr. Murphy and presenting it to him. One fault in the plan, she feels, is that it takes too long until Mr. Murphy gets to see everyone, since he only meets one or two AG groups per week. Nevertheless, she left with the feeling that she knew him better and that he even learned a bit about her.

Rare is the chance that one can eat breakfast with the principal. Even rarer, is that he picks up the tab. And if by chance you need an excuse slip for some activity missed, he will be glad to write you one on the cleanest napkin left over from the meal - as he has been known to do...

The Duke Lives

By Chuck Carpenter

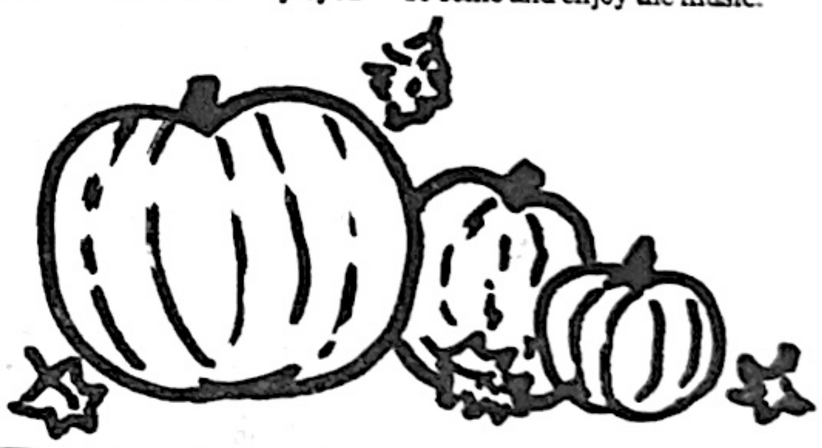
That's right, the spirit of Duke Ellington lives on in the popular ballad, "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," one of the many tunes in the repertoire of the Shaker Jazz Lab Band, better known as the Stage Band, is as comfortable with traditional material such as George Gershwin's "Lady Be Good" as it is with Stevie Wonder's latest hit, "Sir Duke". Fred, Mosier, director of the band, concentrates on tunes that expand the band's scope of playing, so that students learn to play all different types of jazz: swing, blues, rock, Latin funk, etc. Mosier also tries to concentrate on developing the talent of improvisation in the students, and the band performs many tunes which allow soloists room to improvise. The band shows real promise this year. Practices were held over the summer, and official practice started at the beginning of the school year, rather in November, as it has traditionally started. The trumpet section, led by John Russell, is particularly strong this year because it consists mainly of seniors. The talented saxophone section, led by Jody Kraus, is especially large this year (Both Kraus and Russell supplemented their summer practice with a week at a jazz clinic run by the famous band leader, Woody Herman). The trombone section, seldom heard in recent years, is coming alive this year. The rhythm section, is led by drummer Larry Badler, who has been compared favorable with professional drummers. This section shows special talent this year with the acquisition of drummer Glenn Arnold and bass player Spencer Fine. The band welcomes anyone interested in joining; especially needed are piano and guitar players. The band will host the Ohio State University Band, highly acclaimed in recent years, for a special concert on Monday, November 14. Nobody should miss the opportunity to see one of the best bands in the state perform at Shaker High. The Stage Band is an important part of Shaker's talented music scene. Watch for it in the Fall Concert.

MARCHING BAND

By Debbie Sopher

Tw-e-e-t! Tweet! Tweet! Tweet! Tweet! Bap, bap, bap, one two three lift. Dum de dum dum, squeak, giggle , STOP! Go back and do it again.

This is not an incoherent jumble of sounds, but rather, as anyone who walks to school first period will tell you, the sound of the Shaker Heights High School Marching Band practicing for a half-time show. The band consists of almost one hundred players, majorettes, and flag girls. Lacking the size of some bands in the Cleveland area, Shaker's band makes up in quality for what it lacks in quantity. Practice started this year on August 23, as sophomores learned their about-faces and forward-marches, and rusty juniors and seniors brushed up on marching and playing at the same time, which on a bad day can be next to impossible. Practices were held from 9:30 to 12:00 every morning the week before school started, and these first two months of school have seen bleary-eyed band members arriving at 7:30 every morning for rehearsals. This football season, the band, under the direction of Mr. Mosier and Mr. Pattie, has performed at all five home games plus one away game at Fairview. It has also played at the pep rally and marched in the small but spirited Homecoming parade. In case the members of the band are not yet known to the school, they are easy to identify by their appearance second period. Band members are those people in your classes who have wet shoes and leave grass and mud under their desks, their noses are red and they have seemingly paralyzed fingers. Friday, November 11, the band will give a concert, making its final appearances as a marching band before making the transition to a concert band. It will be a good opportunity to hear the band without the wind blowing, the rain falling, and trying to buy a coke during the half-time show. The choir will be performing also, so come and enjoy the music.



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"i" on sports

By ALAN INGLIS

With the fall sports season coming to a close, we are looking forward to the start of the winter sports, where Shaker usually has a very strong showing. The following, therefore, is a small tidbit about each team:

Coached by Fred Heinlen, the Red Raiders' basketball team is hoping to match last year's accomplishment of becoming the Lake Erie League champs with a 12 win, 3 loss record and overall record of 13-6. The three returning starters for the team include senior Morris Thompson, and juniors Michael Mills and Junie Poindexter. Leading the Junior Varsity team is returnee Charles Richard, a physical education teacher at Fernway.

The Shaker hockey team, consistently powerful year after year, is again headed by Mike Bartley. After losing only a small portion of the players from last year's team to college, this year's unit could be one of Shaker's best in a long time. It might be difficult however, for the Raiders to beat last year's 17-5 record and a tie with Cleveland Heights for the championship in the Eastern division of the Greater Cleveland High School Hockey League. There is some added incentive for the team this year since it is the first year that hockey is an LEL sport and counts for points towards the Principal's Cup.

The Wrestling Raiders, under the wing of first-year coach Tom Morgan, are hoping to keep improving over their ninth place finish, 1-8 record in the LEL and 2-12 overall. The Wrestlers are not without talent, and returning after going to the district tournaments last year are Jon Hoyt and Sam Banks. In charge of the J.V. group is health teacher Hubert McIntyre.

Coming off a strong second place finish in the LEL with a 4-1 record (6-4 overall), the Shaker Tankers are coahced again this year by math teacher Peter Linn. Swimming seems to be a fairly strong sport at Shaker these days, and we are looking forward to another tough performance by the team this year.

The girl's basketball team, coached again by Mary Ellen Leuty, are looked upon with respect following their very successful campaign last year. After compiling a record of 9-2 last season, they definitely pose a threat to any team that they may play.

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A rather important note regarding the Lake Erie League is that the 10-school league will become an 8-school league as of 1979 when Midpark and Berea are planning on dropping out. The sentiment throughout the league is to stay with just eight schools, as each team will be able to play every other team in such sports as football and basketball, where this is not possible now.

Field Hockey Ends

By Miriam Pickus

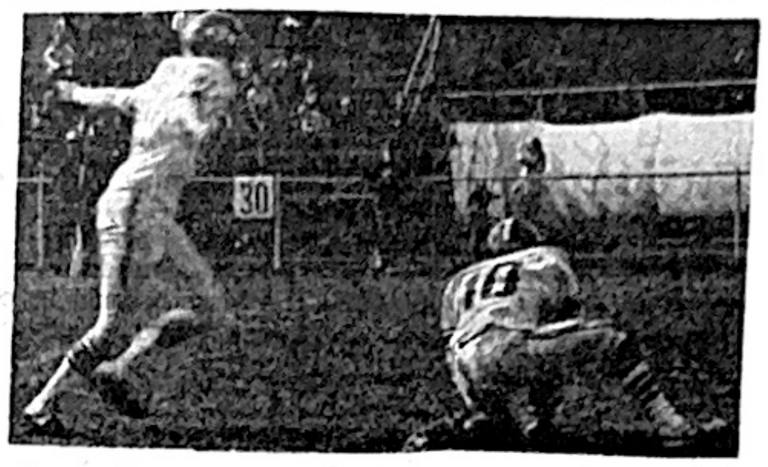
The Shaker Girl's Field Hockey team started their season against four tough competitors and faired very well. The varsity tied Kent Roosevelt and Western Reserve Academy 2-2 and 1-1 respectively. A tough Laurel squad was beaten 2-1. Then, Hathaway Brown defeated the varsity 2-0. The next two schools Shaker visited were Mentor and Andrews. Playing in the rain and mud at Mentor the two teams ended in a scoreless tie. At Andrews, Shaker played to a 1-1 deadlock. Then came Kirtland and the Raiders got back on the winning track, 2-0. The stickers player their last home game and tied Cleveland Heights 1-1 in a well played game. Overall, the Varsity's record is 3-1-5.

Varsity coach Linda Betley is pleased with the team this year. "The girls have worked hard since the first day of school and our record shows it. Though I would like more wins than ties, I believe the girls will produce for the tournament Friday, October 28."

The Junior Varsity, coached by Mary Ellen Leuty is 3-2-1. The team started out slowly, losing 1-0 to Kent Roosevelt. They could not punch in a goal either against Laurel and the game ended in a scoreless tie. At Western Reserve, the J.V.'s experienced their first thrill of victory, 2-1. After losing to H.B. 2-0, the Shakerites bounced back to beat Hawken 1-0. At Kirtland, the J.V. tallied their greatest amount of goals as they won 3-0.

The teams travel to Hudson on Tuesday, October 25, to take on a tough Hudson team in their final game of the season.

The highlight of the season will take place on Friday, October 28 and Saturday, October 29 when the Varsity team (with added J.V. players) travels to Hudson for the annual North-Eastern Ohio Tournament. Coach Betley is looking forward to a better-than-last-year's performance. The stickers go against Stow in their first game of competition.



Doug Bercu, Shaker's outstanding kicker, pre pares to send the ball through the uprights.

Footballers Seek Good Finish

By Phil Goldman

After coming off a dramatic 13-12 victory over Shaw, the Red Raider Football team anticipated their next contest, a Homecoming game against arch-rival Cleveland Hts., with great eagerness. Although the adrenalin was flowing through each Red Raider player and through each spectator of the capacity crowd at Russel H. Rupp Stadium, the Shaker offense could only put together a sole 32-yard field goal by Doug Bercu. An impressive aspect of the game was the Shaker defense, which played as well as they have all year, allowing only one Heights touchdown and the accompaning point conversion, to account for the seven Heights points, just enough to defeat a valiant Red Raider squad.

The defeat at the hands of Heights brings Shaker's overall record to four wins and three losses, with a two win, two loss record in Lake Erie League play, with the three games against an outstanding Berea team, a good Normandy team, and a surprisingly good Parma team still on the schedule.

Offensively, the Red Raider's point yield has been rather low with an average of just 13 points per game. As of the Height's game, the offensive corps were averaging 194 yards a game rushing, with the leading carrier being Bruce Bogan, who in 50 runs from scrimmage has gained 363 yards. Following Hogan is Joe Primes, who has gained 262 yards in 66 runs, while David English in 37 runs has gained 255 yards on the ground. Senior co-captain Jim Walker in 29 runs has gained 140 yards, while he has completed 25 of ever be cut from a high school squad. Therefore the only way a player ever leaves the Shaker squad is if he is either injured, or breaks the rules, or flunks a majority of his academic subjects.

"Eat It!" exclaims Booter Ron Weingarten.

63 passes for an average of 50 yards passing per game. He has thrown only four interceptions all season.

Coach Al Raymond is not discouraged however with his team, but rather he is satisfied thus far. He stated to the SHAKERITE, "We are pleased with the attitude and dedication our players have to the sport. Their enthusiasm and willingness to learn and their loyalty to the team itself has been a plus." When asked why this year's team is apparently better than last year's, the coach replied, "We have some very good running backs and our overall talent is better than last year. We are executing better in both our offensive and defensive techniques. A big plus has been that the defense is able to get emotional over a defensive stand so that the other team won't score." Perhaps the most important aspect of this 1977 team has been their total dedication to each and every game. As Coach Raymond said, "the team we have now – when they lose, they have still given 100 percent."

It has been a year of dedication for each of the 28 players on the junior varsity team, and the 46 players on the Varsity team. Both teams began practice on August 15 and continue to practice each day after school for two hours. In these after-school practices, they are mainly devoted to "establishing a game plan" for both the offense and defense so as to compile most effectively against that week's foe. For example, it is during these practices that the defensive formations to be used during the next game are established. The common Shaker defenses are either a 5-3 formation, a 6-3 formation, or a 4-4 formation.

The four Shaker Varsity coaches, Mr. Raymond, Mr. Zednik, Mr. Heinlin and Mr. Tekieli, all share the same philosophy that no player should

Chris Fejes demonstrates his soccer prowess.

Volleyball Spikes Crowd

What kind of game involves concentration, skill, experience, teamwork, and ball control? Football, basketball, and soccer fill the bill, but so does volleyball. Yes, volleyball - one of the fastest growing, most highly competitive, and exciting team sports in America today. It is alive and well at Shaker in the guise of the Red Raider Girls' Volleyball team. The Shaker voleyballers, otherwise knows as the "Baby Ducks", practice every weekday afternoon under the guidance of Coach Burkett and Coach Hill. Workouts involve drills, to perfect the basic skills of the game - bump, set, spike and serve - and acutal team play. Teamwork is essential to success in volleyball; no matter how much individual talent a squad may have, there is no way it will be a winner unless each member plays as a part of the team.

The 1977 varsity squad is a relatively "young" squad becuase only four of the girls on the 11-member team played with varsity last year. Of this year's "starting six", seniors spikers Jean Jackson and Captain Sue Netherton are returnees, as well as junior setter Ava Senkfor. Completing the starting lineup are Ellen McWilliams and Hilary Beard, two sophomores strong at spiking and serving, and Jane "Monkey" Margolius at set. Seniors Renee Deale and Faye Perryman and juniors Patti Colley, Paula Hooper and Heidi Zetzer form the rest of the team. The "Baby Ducks" have an overall record of 5 and 4; the team has enjoyed victories over Collinwood, Garfield, Midpark, Parma and Shaw, while losing to Kenston, Lakewood, Normandy and Berea. The team faces Valley Forge with the home court advantage Tuesday, October 25 at Shaker, and finishes out the regular season with what promises to be an exciting match against Cleveland Heights on Thursday, October 27. Congratualtions, girls; hopefully the "Baby Ducks" will be lucky ducks in post-season tournament play!

Harriers

The 1978 Shaker Cross-Country team had a good year, despite the unimpressive 3-6 league record. The team worked hard and should have a winning season next year.

Sophomores John and David Biek, David Cruz, and Dan Hochberg made valuable contributions to the team and should be, very good next year. Juniors Mike Christie, Chris Byrne, Matt Klein, Brian Greene, Mancin Taylor, and Bob Perlman will be the leaders of next year's team. The seniors, Bob Murphy, Paul Qua, Chuck Carpenter, Arif Ali, Skip Eggleston, Mark Norton, and Captain Chip Todd provided the team with a great will to win and will be missed next year. Coach Bob Rice helped develop the team into a solid unit.

The team also appreciated the help and enthusiasm of Kathleen Mearns, Debbie Donahey, and Jenifer Fischer who cheered them on at every meet.

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Brown Sums Up Cavs

By Steve Brown

The 1977-78 edition of the Cleveland Cavaliers looks much improved over last year's squad. Recent acquisitions Walt Frazier, Terry Furlow, and 2nd-round draft choice Ed Jordan join the holdovers from a team which compiled a 43 win, 39 loss season.

Frazier, a veteran guard, known as "Clyde" was acquired from the Knicks as compensation for free agent Jim Cleamons. A seven-time All-Star, Frazier adds leadership to the backcourt. He is well known for the way he seems to dominate a tight game in the closing minutes. Many have called Frazier the best guard of all time.

Furlow was acquired from the 76ers. Last year as a rookie he saw limited playing time as you might expect, playing behind Julius Erving and George McGinnis. He plays either guard or forward and is a fine outside shooter.

Jordan, a rookie guard from Rutgers has been a pleasant surprise. Thus far he has done a fine job coming off the bench as the playmaking guard.

The center spot is the key to the Cavaliers. Both Jim Chones and Elmore Smith must have good seasons for the Cavs to be successful. If they are not consistent there could be problems.

The power forward position is in good hands with Jim Brewer and John Lambert. Both play fine defense, and are always improving offensively. Brewer has been named to the All-Defensive team the last two years and is hoping to move up to the first team.

The small forward duo is in excellent shape. Campy Russell has started off very well and Captain Bingo Smith is always ready when needed. Barring injuries Russell should have a super year. He is virtually a one-man gang when his game is on, which occurs often.

Foots Walker, who starts at the playmaking guard is a coach's dream. He starts at the tip-off and never stops until the final whistle. With improved outside shooting look for Footsie to have a banner year also.

Veterans Austin Carr and Dick Snyder round out the backcourt. Each are excellent shooters and can supply "instant offense" when needed.

Overall the Cavaliers look very strong. They may get off to a relatively slow start, with the new players fitting into the system, but like two years ago when they won the divisional championship look for the Cavs to put everything together towards the middle of the season and have an outstanding campaign.

Cav superstar Campy Russell in action!

Swim Team Debut

By Jay Watson

This year's Red Raider swim team will, under the leadership of second year coach Peter Linn, follow the example set by eight-time national champ U.S.C. They will be led by their own John Naber and Joe Bottom in the form of Didi Gravenstein and Dave Ginn. To supplement the talent of these two fine swimmers will be a host of other returning seniors, namely Jay Watson, Mark Bombelles, Hutton Parke, and Chris Cameron. Their underclass stars will include Dave Hertz, Chris Upson, Paul Tucker, John Kruse, and Jerry Koleski. In addition they have their returning diver, Jim Duncan.

Their work-outs will begin on Friday, October 28, after school. Soon after this date will begin their horrid Morning Work-outs. Under this program they will practice at 6:30 in the morning as well as immediately following school. The team will also spend its weekends and its holidays in the water. Once this program gets into full swing the team will average about 25,000 yards (15 miles) per day, with more yardage for the distance swimmers. Many of the swimmers work-out while wearing clothes and lead weights in order to increase drag and make them stronger. In the next few days the team will submit an itinerary to Principal Paul Murphy and the Board of Trustees, for the all-expense paid work-out trip to Long Beach, California during Christmas Break.

Many people can not understand how this elite group of people can get up in the middle of the night to walk, in sub-zero degree weather, to go swimming in a cold pool or suffer the pain accompanied with this kind of extensive work-out. The answer to this question can be made in a one-word answer, desire. Most of the team desires to make it to the State Meet in Canton on March 3-4.

The upcoming season plans to be quite dynamic. The team plans to go through the season undefeated and eventually reign in the L.E.L., District, and State. Arch-rivals Cleveland Heights and Lakewood will lose to the Raiders on January 13 and January 27 respectively. Coach Linn plans to see many school, State, and National record fall at the hands of his team. Already they have at least five or six swimmers capable freestylers they also have distance swimmers with the talent of shattering the national record of 4:17.3 for the 500 freestyle. Our speciality team suffered a blow last year with the loss of captains Ed Hess and Bill Fullmer. However, Linn is confident that somewhere he can find a capable breaststroker and butterflier.

One of our problems last year was the lack of good P.R. To correct this problem it took a good bit of work. All the work, however, seems to have paid off, for the team has a contract with ABC's Wild World of Sports to televise at least half of our home meets.

Without doubt the upcoming season plans to be much exciting in all respects. It will begin on December 2 with a win over Maple Heights and will climax with the State title on March 4.

Shaker goalie Scott Fine successfully deflects a shot on goal.

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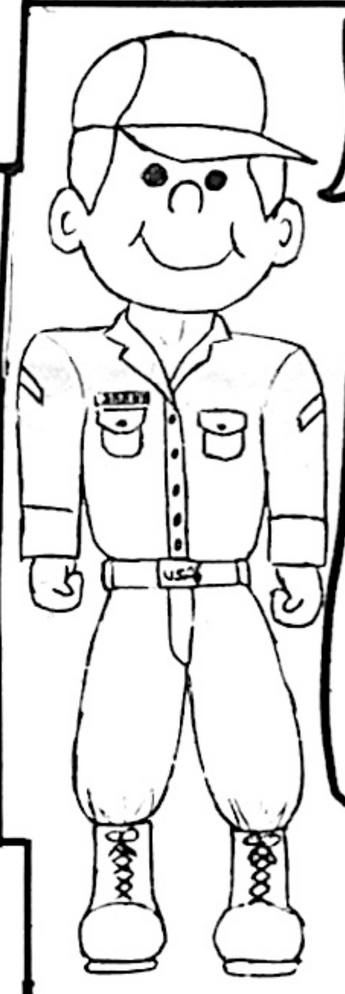

In last year's Shaker Hts. 'Shakerite', I gave to you my "Dear DPP" to tell you about opportunities I was planning to pursue after graduation in the U.S. Army. Well I graduated in Spring and still had some time left before I reported for active duty -- time to enjoy some summer weather and activities thanks to the Army's Delayed Entry Program (DEP) that gave me up to 1 year between my enlisting and active duty date. If you want to plan your future now, enjoy your senior year, graduate and still have some vacation time, call or visit my recruiter, SFC Herbert Parons, 5033 Lee Road, 921-4245.

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